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SUBJ: GROMYKO ON WARSAW PACT

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1. SUMMARY. GROMYKO'S SPEECH MAY 14 AT CEREMONY IN MOSCOW

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IN HONOR OF THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WARSAW PACT

CONTINUED THE CALL FOR INCREASED FOREIGN POLICY COORDINATION OF THE PACT STATES THROUGH THE WARSAW PACT MECHANISM. THE CALL WAS IMPLICIT RATHER THAN EXPLICIT, AS WERE SIMILAR URGINGS IN PRESS ARTICLES REPORTED REF A. GROMYKO WENT FURTHER THAN THOSE ARTICLES, HOWEVER, IN CALLING FOR "CONTINUAL IMPORVEMENT" OF THE WARSAW PACT STRUCTURE IN ORDER TO MEET NEEDS FOR "RAPID REACTION" TO EVENTS IN CONTEMPORARY WORLD. OTHER ASPECTS OF THE GROMYKO SPEECH BEING REPORTED SEPTELS.

2. GROMYKO, IN A SPEECH WHICH PRESUMARLY WILL BE THE MOST AUTHORITATIVE SOVIET STATEMENT MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THE PACT ANNIVERSARY, AGAIN HIT THE POINTS ON PRESENT STRUCTURE OF THE WARSAW PACT, ITS FOREIGN POLICH FURNCTION, AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO FOREIGN POLICY OF OTHER PACT STATES AS WERE MADE IN THE PRAVDA EDITORIAL AND THE YAKUBOVSKIY AND SHTEMENKO ARTICLES (REF A). HE USED THE SAME FORMULATION AS DID THE PRAVDA EDIT, CALLING THE WARSAW PACT THE "MAIN COORDINATING CENTER FOR FORIEGN POLICY ACTIONS OF THE FRATERNAL STATES." HE REASSURED THE OTHER STATES OF THE PACT THAT IT IS FOUNDED ON THE BASIS OF THE PRINCIPLES OF "EQUALITY, RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY, AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFARIS." HE REFERRED TO THE PACT, AS DID THE AUTHORS OF THE ABOVE ARTICLES, AS A "RELIABLE SHIELD" FOR THE "GAINS OF SOCIALISM"--A CLEAR REFERENCE TO THE PACT'S POLICE FUNCTIONS IN EASTERN EUROPE. AND HE CITED THE PRINCIPLE OF "PROLETARIAN INTERNATIONALISM," WHICH WAS THE SOVIET RATIONALE FOR THE 1968 INVASION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

3. GROMYKO PRAISED THE ROLE PLAYED BY THE POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE, THOUGH, UNLIKE THE ABOVE ARTICLES, HE ALSO EXTOLLED THE USES OF OTHER TYPES OF PACT PARTY SUMMITS SUCH AS THE RECENT MEETING DURING THE HUNGARIAN PARTY CONGRESS.

4. GROMYKO IMPLICITLY CALLED FOR CHANGES IN THE STRUCUTRE OF THE PACT; HE MAY HAVE IN MMIND THE CREATION OF A STANDING COMMITTEE OR SECRETARIAT, AS THE ROMANIANS FEAR (REF B). THE REFERENCE IS CONTAINED IN THE FOLLOWING
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EXCERPT FROM THE GROMYKO SPEECH:

"THE CONTEMPORARY INTERNATIONAL SITUATION, WITH ITS FAST-MOVING SERIES OF EVENTS, REQUIRES RAPID AND COORDINATED REACTION TO PHENOMENA; AND THE POLICY OF DENTENTE BEING CONDUCTED BY THE FRATERNAL STATES DICTATES THE INDISPENSIBILITY OF BEING ABLE TO USE AN EVER BRAODER ARSENAL OF POLITICAL MEANS. THE STRUCTURE OF THE ORGANIZATION OF THE WARSAW PACT AND ITS CONTINUAL PERFECTION

ANSWER THESE REQUIREMENTS."

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